UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

GARY SMITH SR.,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
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V.)	No. 4:07CV1038 ERW
)	
MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,)	
Commissioner of Social Security,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis.

Upon review of plaintiff's financial affidavit, the Court finds that the motion should be granted.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e), the Court is required to review a complaint filed in forma pauperis and to dismiss it if it is frivolous, malicious, or fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. The Court has reviewed the complaint and finds that it is incomplete and that it fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

Although plaintiff filed his complaint on the Court-provided form, he failed to state the date on which he received notice of the decision of the Appeals Council. Additionally, plaintiff filed the Notice of Appeals Council Action as an exhibit to the complaint but redacted the date from the document. As a result, the Court is unable to determine if it has jurisdiction over this case.

Additionally, the complaint does not state a demand for relief as required by Rule

8(a). In consequence, it is subject to dismissal.

Finally, plaintiff's only allegation regarding the final decision of the Commissioner

is that "they don't see what is there." This allegation alone is insufficient to state a claim

upon which relief can be granted, and the complaint is subject to dismissal under 28

U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B).

Because plaintiff is proceeding pro se, the Court will allow plaintiff to file an

amended complaint within 30 days of the date of this Order. If plaintiff fails to timely

file an amended complaint, this case shall be dismissed without prejudice.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis

[#2] is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff shall file an amended complaint

within 30 days of the date of this Order. If plaintiff fails to timely file an amended

complaint, this action shall be dismissed without prejudice.

Dated this 5th Day of June, 2007.

E. RICHARD WEBBER

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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